Introduced by Senator Oropeza

February 19, 2010

An act relating to workers' rights the California Conservation Corps, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1326, as amended, Oropeza. Workers' rights. California Conservation Corps: local conservation corps.

(1) The Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003 requires a retailer selling a covered electronic device in this state to collect a covered electronic waste recycling fee from the consumer. Under existing law, the fees are deposited in the Electronic Waste Recovery and Recycling Account of the Integrated Waste Management Fund and are continuously appropriated for specified purposes.

This bill would appropriate \$15,000,000 from that account to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle covered electronic devices, as defined, consistent with the Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003, and for activities related to that collection and recycling. The bill would also appropriate \$10,000,000 from that account to the California Conservation Corps to collect and recycle those covered electronic devices.

(2) The California Tire Recycling Act requires a person who purchases a new tire to pay a California tire fee and the revenue generated from the fee is deposited in the California Tire Recycling Management Fund, for expenditure by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for

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programs related to the disposal of waste tires, except that a specified amount of the fee is designated for programs and projects that mitigate or remediate air pollution caused by waste tires.

This bill would appropriate \$5,000,000 from that fund to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle waste tires consistent with the California Tire Recycling Act, and for activities related to that collection and recycling.

(3) Item Number 3340-101-6051 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2009, as added by Chapter 1 of the 2009-10 4th Extraordinary Session, appropriated \$6,700,000 to the California Conservation Corps for local assistance, payable from the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006.

This bill would reappropriate that amount for the support of the California Conservation Corps, subject to the purposes and limitations of that appropriation, and would provide that those funds would be available for encumbrance until June 30, 2013. The bill would also reappropriate certain funds that were reappropriated to the California Conservation Corps by Item 3340-490 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2009, as added by Chapter 1 of the 2009–10 4th Extraordinary Session, for local assistance grants to local conservation corps, payable from that fund.

Existing law regulates the terms and conditions of employment in the state and secures to workers various enforceable rights.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to labor and workers' rights.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no-yes. Fiscal committee: no yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares
- 2 that it is in the interests of the state and its citizens to create jobs
- and employment opportunities for unemployed youth performing
- 4 environmental projects.
- 5 (b) Notwithstanding Section 42476 of the Public Resources
- 6 Code, the sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is hereby
- 7 appropriated from the Electronic Waste Recovery and Recycling
- 8 Account in the Integrated Waste Management Fund to the

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California Conservation Corps for the purposes of collecting and
recycling covered electronic devices, as defined in Section 42463
of the Public Resources Code, consistent with Chapter 8.5
(commencing with Section 42460) of Part 3 of Division 30 of the
Public Resources Code, and for activities related to that collection
and recycling.

- (c) Notwithstanding Section 42476 of the Public Resources Code, the sum of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the Electronic Waste Recovery and Recycling Account in the Integrated Waste Management Fund to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle covered electronic devices, as defined in Section 42463 of the Public Resources Code, consistent with Chapter 8.5 (commencing with Section 42460) of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, and for activities related to that collection and recycling.
- (d) In addition to purposes specified in Section 42889 of the Public Resources Code, the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the California Tire Recycling Management Fund, established by Section 42885 of the Public Resources Code, to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle waste tires consistent with Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 42860) of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, and for activities related to that collection and recycling.
- (e) Funds appropriated pursuant to subdivisions (c) and (d) shall be used to provide immediate employment for at-risk youth and other persons who are members of local community conservation corps, so as to create new jobs, employ people in productive activities for fair wages, and reduce unemployment in the state.
- 34 SEC. 2. (a) The funds appropriated by Item No. 3340-101-6051 35 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2009, as added by Section 167 36 of Chapter 1 of the 2009–10 Fourth Extraordinary Session, for 37 local assistance to the California Conservation Corps, that are 38 payable from the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, 39 Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 40 (Division 43 (commencing with Section 75001) of the Public

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- 1 Resources Code), are hereby reappropriated, subject to the 2 purposes and limitations of that appropriation, and shall be 3 available for encumbrance until June 30, 2013.
- 4 (b) The balances of the reappropriation provided by Item 5 3340-490 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2009, as added by
- 6 Section 168 of Chapter 1 of the 2009–10 Fourth Extraordinary
- 7 Session, for local assistance grants to local conservation corps,
- 8 payable from the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply,
- 9 Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Item
- 10 3340-101-6051, Sec. 2.00 Budget Act of 2008 (Chs. 268 and 269,
- 11 Stats. 2008)), are hereby reappropriated for the purposes of, and
- 12 subject to that Item 3340-490, and shall be available for
- 13 encumbrance until June 30, 2013.
- 14 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 15 legislation relating to labor and workers' rights.